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SUBJECT: PRISON POPULATION STILL GROWING,

BUT SOMEWHAT MORE SLOWLY

REF: A.) KIGALI 1645

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REFTELS REPORTED INTERIOR MINISTER SENDASHONGA'S REMARKS AT THE END OF MAY SUGGESTING THAT ARRESTS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SHOULD BE SLOWED DOWN, AND THE REACTION OF VP KAGAME AND THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS. AT THAT TIME THE PRISON POPULATION WAS ABOUT 43,000. ICRC DIRECTOR INFORMED US JUNE 27 THAT THE POPULATION HAS NOW GROWN TO 48,000. THE NUMBER OF NEW REGISTRATIONS WITH ICRC HAS DROPPED FROM APPROXIMATELY 1400 A WEEK TO 400. THE RATE IS DOWN BUT THE PRISON POPULATION HAS GROWN AND CONDITIONS ARE LIFE-THREATENING WHEREVER PRISONERS ARE INTERNED. RAWSON

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